

An act relating to postsecondary education, and making an appropriation therefor, to take effect immediately, bill related to the budget.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. (a) The sum of forty-eight million dollars (\$48,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges for allocation to community college districts. A community college district shall use its allocation for any of the following purposes:

(1) Scheduled maintenance and special repairs of facilities. As a condition for receiving and expending funds for maintenance or special repairs, a community college district shall certify in a resolution that it will increase its operations and maintenance spending from the 1995–96 fiscal year by at least the amount the community college district uses from its allocation under this paragraph for maintenance and special repairs. The question of whether a community college district has complied with its resolution shall be reviewed under the annual audit of that district.

(2) Hazardous substances abatement, cleanup, and repairs.

(3) Architectural barrier removal projects that meet the requirements of the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.) and seismic retrofit projects limited to four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) per project.

(4) For replacement of instructional equipment and library materials. As a condition for receiving and expending funds for instructional equipment and library materials, a community college district shall certify in a resolution that it will not use any of its allocation under this paragraph for personnel services costs or operating expenses. The question of whether a community college district has complied with its resolution shall be reviewed under the annual audit of that district.

(b) The Chancellor of the California Community Colleges shall allocate funds under this section to community college districts on the basis of actual reported full-time equivalent students, except that the chancellor may establish a minimum allocation to be received by each district. The chancellor may establish guidelines for the use of the moneys allocated.

(c) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the funds appropriated pursuant to this section shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for community college districts,” as defined in subdivision (d) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2014–15 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2014–15 fiscal year.

SEC. 2. This act is a bill providing for appropriations related to the Budget Bill within the meaning of subdivision (e) of Section 12 of Article IV of the California Constitution, has been identified as related to the budget in the Budget Bill, and shall take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

Bill No.

as introduced, _____.

General Subject: Community Colleges: Physical plant and instructional equipment: funding.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges, under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, as one of the segments of public postsecondary education in this state. Existing law authorizes the establishment of community college districts under the administration of community college governing boards, and authorizes these districts to provide instruction at community college campuses throughout the state.

This bill would appropriate the sum of \$48,000,000 from the General Fund to the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges for allocation to community college districts to provide funding for specified purposes relating to facilities, hazardous substances response, architectural barrier removal, seismic retrofit projects, and instructional equipment and library materials, as specified. The bill would require the chancellor to allocate funds to community college districts on the basis of actual reported full-time equivalent students, except as provided. The bill would authorize the chancellor to establish guidelines for the use of the moneys allocated.

Funds appropriated by this bill would be applied toward the minimum funding requirements for school districts and community college districts imposed by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as a bill providing for appropriations related to the Budget Bill.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.